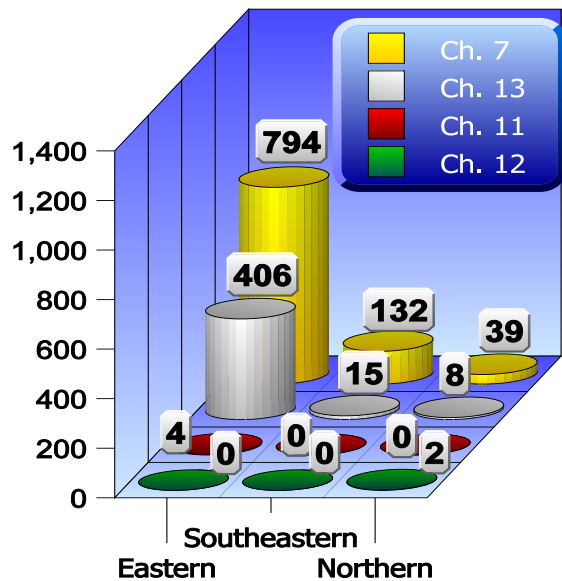


New Cases

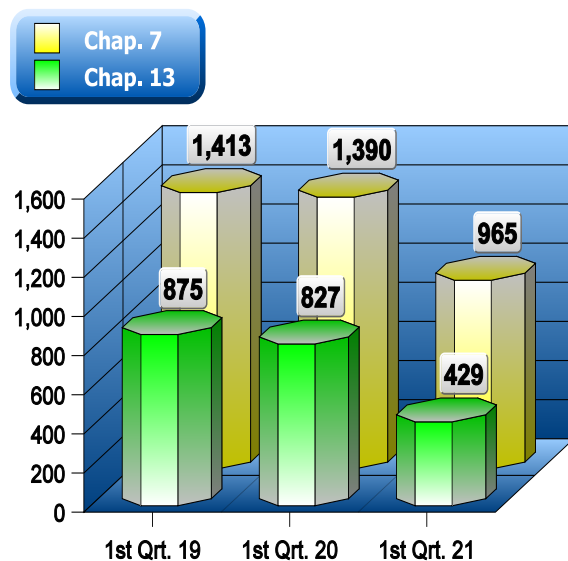
During the first quarter of the calendar year 2021, the Court opened a total of 1,400 new cases. There were 1,204 cases filed in the Eastern division, 147 cases in the Southeastern division and 49 cases filed in the Northern division. The court reopened 54 additional cases. The

new cases consisted of 965 Chapter 7 filings, 4 Chapter 11 filings, 2 Chapter 12 filings and 429 cases filed under Chapter 13. There were no new cases filed under Chapters 9 and 15. The chart above indicates the percentage of new cases filed under each chapter. Additionally, there were 25 new Adversary Proceedings, 351 motions to lift the automatic stay, and 77 motions to avoid liens. The chart to the right indicates the number of new cases filed during the first quarter in each division, broken down by chapter.



Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 Filings

During the first quarter, 2021, there were 965 Chapter 7 petitions and 429 Chapter 13 petitions filed with the Court. These figures constitute 68.93% and 30.64%, respectively, of the total number of new cases filed this quarter. For comparison purposes, in the first quarter of 2020, the Court received 1,390 new Chapter 7 petitions (61.72%) and 827 new Chapter 13 petitions (36.72%). The chart to the right indicates the filing figures for Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 cases for the first quarter of 2021 and the past two calendar years.



Case Closings

The Court closed 1,729 cases during the first quarter, 2021. Case terminations by division included 1,512 for the Eastern division, 179 for the Southeastern division, and 38 cases for the Northern division. The number of cases closed this quarter is less than the number closed during the fourth quarter of 2020, when the Court closed 2,615 cases. The Court also closed 29 adversary proceedings during the first quarter, 2021.

Pending Caseload

The pending caseload at the end of the first quarter, 2021, was 9,796 cases, a decrease of 274 cases from the fourth quarter, 2020. These 274 cases reflect a 2.72% decrease in the pending caseload from last quarter when there were 10,070 cases pending. The chart below depicts the change in pending caseload over the previous four quarters. During that time, the number of pending cases decreased by 16.65% (1,957 cases), or an average of 489 cases each quarter. The number of adversary proceedings pending decreased by 4 cases in the first quarter, 2021, leaving 53 cases pending.

